

# The Castles of Jesi Wine District

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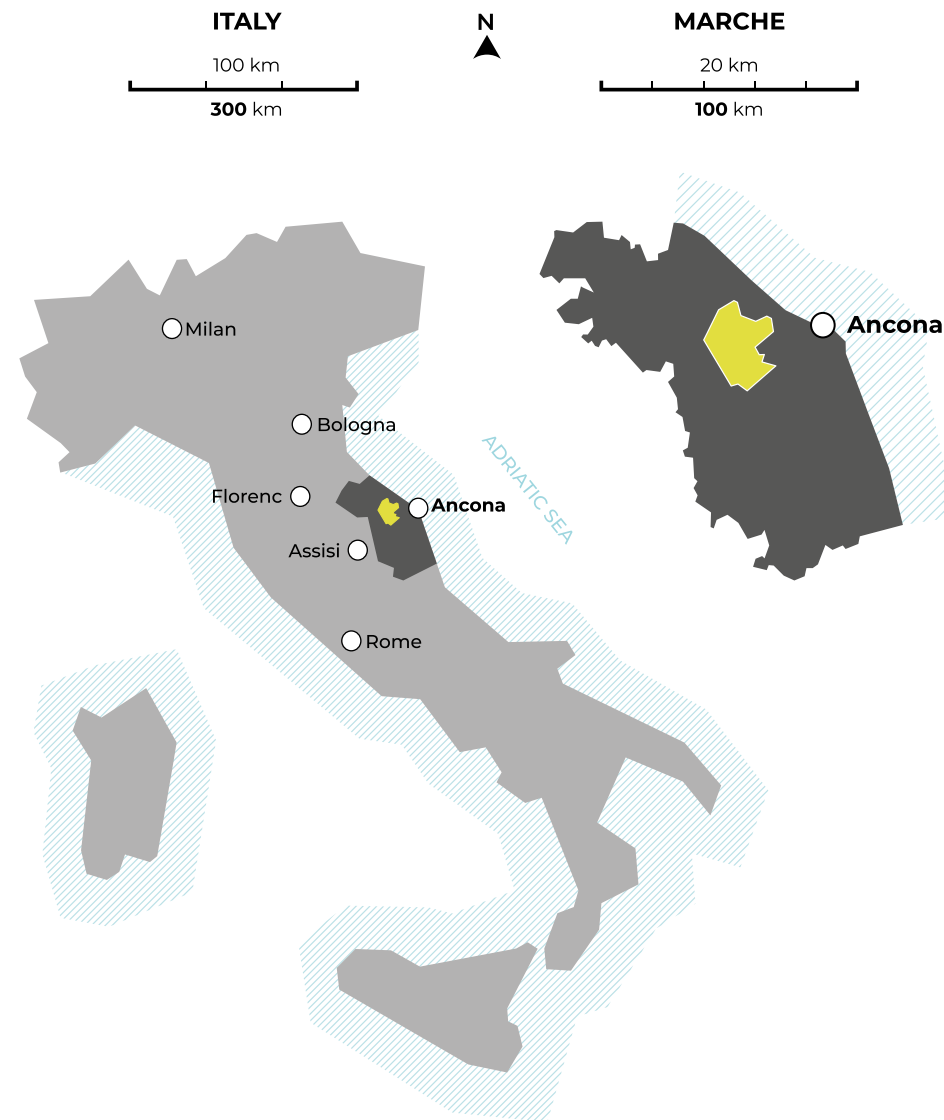
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## Time and memory

Shaped by the centuries-old action of man, the 25 municipalities of the “Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi” are marked with a date or a century indicating the origins of their history, from the traces of the transiting of the ancient Piceno civilisations and Roman domination up until the flourishing of the municipal activities.

APIRO	1227
ARCEVIA	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
BARBARA	1186
BELVEDERE OSTRENSE	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
CASTELBELLINO	11 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
CASTELLEONE DI SUASA	3 <sup>rd</sup> CENTURY B.C.
CASTELPLANIO	1283
CINGOLI	3 <sup>rd</sup> CENTURY B.C.
CORINALDO	1367
CUPRAMONTANA	3 <sup>rd</sup> CENTURY B.C.
MAIOLATI SPONTINI	1283
MERGO	1172
MONTE ROBERTO	1079
MONTECAROTTO	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
MORRO D'ALBA	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
OSTRA	1194
OSTRA VETERE	1137
POGGIO SAN MARCELLO	4 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY B.C.
ROSORA	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
SAN MARCELLO	1234
SAN PAOLO DI JESI	1079
SENIGALLIA	4 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY B.C.
SERRA DE' CONTI	13 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
SERRA SAN QUIRICO	12 <sup>th</sup> CENTURY
STAFFOLO	1078
CLASSICO AREA	

25 Castles,  
that rise up amidst 2000 hectares of vineyards,  
divided among nearly 800 growers and producers.  
Many small wineries that can be visited  
in the heart of the Marche, between the hills,  
a stone's throw from the sea.



### ► How to get there

**By Car**  
Autostrada A14/SS16 - [autostrade.it](http://autostrade.it)

**By Train, railway lines**  
Milano-Bologna-Ancona-Lecce-Crotone  
Roma-Falconara M.ma-Ancona  
[trenitalia.it](http://trenitalia.it)

**By Plane**  
Aeroporto Raffaello Sanzio Falconara M.ma  
[marcheairport.com](http://marcheairport.com)

**By Ship**  
Porto di Ancona  
[doricaportservices.it](http://doricaportservices.it)

# Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi

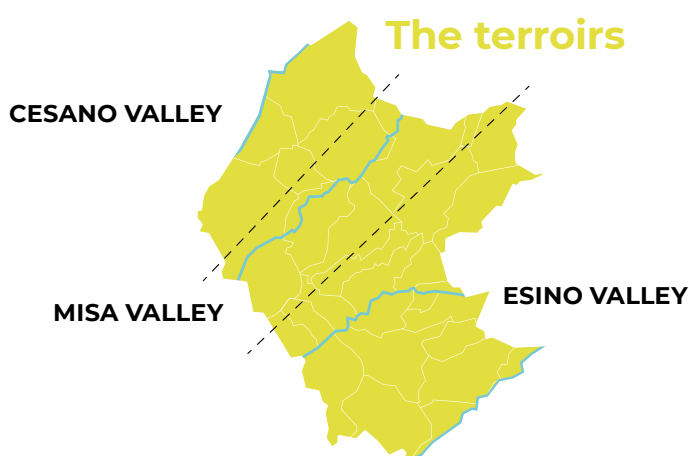
A piece of land in the Marche region, kept in the provinces of Ancona and Macerata. This is the habitat of the Verdicchio, a vine naturalised for centuries with the geomorphologic and microclimatic conditions of the territory that produces a unique wine, impossible to find elsewhere. A land dotted with ancient abbeys and farmhouses where once groups of monks, and many generations of farmers, have had a sacred relationship with this land. Numerous vineyards, designed as if they were the work of an engraving artist, and as many wineries which, thanks to traditional wisdom and innovative ability, manage to make a wine, the authentic pride of the Marche. The Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi encompasses and expresses this land and its history, the passion of those who dedicate all their energy to it, the time waiting together in the joy of serene and relaxed sharing: it is not just a promise but the most genuine experience.

“Verdicchio is probably the most important autochthonous white grape variety that endows wines with international value: not only still wines, but also sparkling and sweet wines with marked longevity. Even more importantly, it knows how to effectively translate the differences among the numerous and varied terroirs of the Castelli di Jesi that can be identified in its twenty-five municipalities.”

**Ian D'Agata** - Creative Director **Vino&Food Collision** project

“It can be as graceful as it is aristocratic, or it can be powerful and full of resonance. Or it may even bring to mind a breezy summer's evening on a terrace by the sea. Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi is a great white with many personalities, all of which very convincing.”

**Luciano Ferraro** - Chief Editor **Corriere della Sera**



Always associated with plurality, the lands of the “Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi” reflect the character, history and culture of the territory which inevitably converge in the **different expressions of a unique Verdicchio.**

## From its classical origins to the magnificence of the Renaissance

### CESANO VALLEY

Stretching along a fundamental road artery from Roman times (as evidenced by the archaeological park of Suasa Senorum), the Cesano Valley experienced its moment of splendour with the Della Rovere family, an illustrious dynasty of patrons of the Renaissance. A perfect emblem of that era is the ring of walls of Corinaldo which, thanks to the intervention of genius, Francesco di Giorgio Martini, constitutes a unique example of military engineering.

## Contemporary places

### MISA VALLEY

Characterised by the great art testimonies - from the masterpieces of Luca Signorelli to those of the Della Robbia - the Misa valley still inspires the transiting of local and international artists such as Wim Wenders and Aleksandr Sokurov. Morro d'Alba exalts the winegrowing tradition with the fountain of its famous citizen, exponent of the Transavanguardia, Enzo Cucchi. Arcevia promotes contemporary sculpture with the international award named after Informal artist Edgardo Mannucci. Lastly, the territory links its name with the group of Misa photographers - based in Senigallia - and with the iconic black and white images of Mario Giacomelli's Marche Region that have travelled around the world.

## The multiple forms of excellence

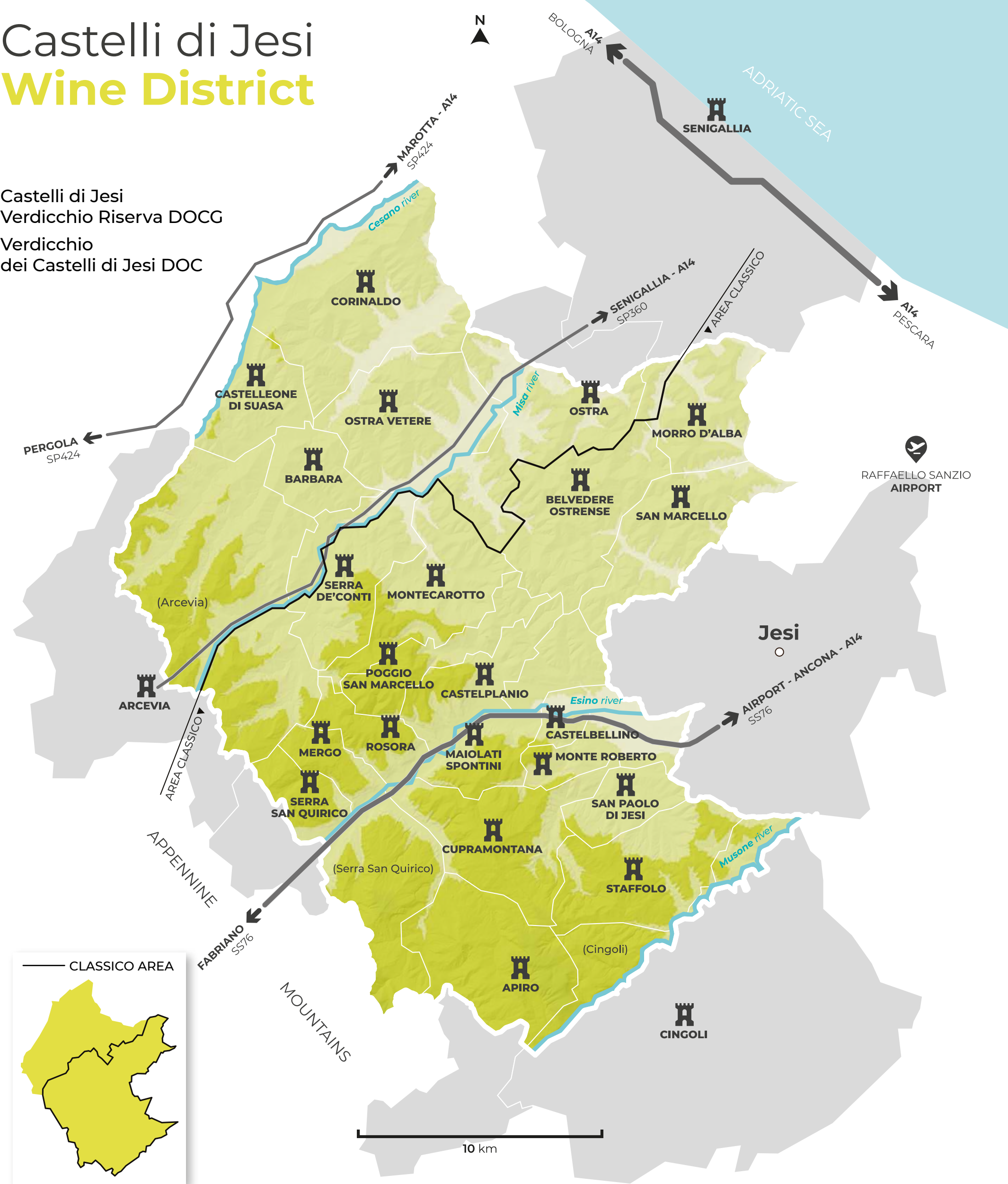
### ESINO VALLEY

An authentic expression of cultural plurality, the “Castles” are set in a man-made landscape marked by centuries-old historical events. This is the birthplace of the great Emperor Frederick II of Swabia who defined these sites as his “Bethlehem”. These lands have also given birth to other prominent personalities in different disciplines: in music, the classical composers Giovanni Battista Pergolesi and Gaspare Spontini; in sport, the three Olympic fencing champions Giovanna Trillini, Valentina Vezzali and Elisa Di Francisca; and in the medical field, microbiologist Carlo Urbani from Castelplanio. This territory has always had a propensity for welcoming and offering hospitality, as in the case of famous Venetian painter Lorenzo Lotto, who found a land of authentic inspiration for his art here.

# Castelli di Jesi

## Wine District

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<p>► <b>Denominations</b></p> <p><b>DOC - since 1968</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi</li><li>- Verdicchio dei Castelli di Jesi: Classico Superiore</li><li>- Classico</li><li>- Passito</li><li>- Spumante</li></ul>	<p><b>DOCG - since 1995</b></p> <p>Castelli di Jesi Verdicchio:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Riserva</li><li>- Riserva Classico</li></ul>	<p>► <b>Grape</b></p> <p>Verdicchio minimum 85%</p> <p>Other white grapes suitable for being grown in the Marche Region and found in the vineyards may also be included, either jointly or separately, for up to a maximum of 15%.</p>	<p>► <b>Climate</b>, high hills influenced by the fresh mountain air and the salty winds off the Adriatic Sea.</p> <p>► Limestone <b>terroirs</b> passing from sandstone to clay with compositions differing from area to area.</p>	<p>► <b>Altitudes</b> ranging on average between 80 and 450 m until reaching 600 m above sea level.</p>
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